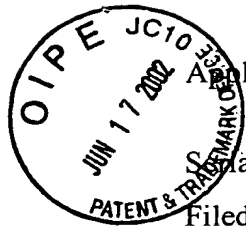


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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated June 5, 2001, be extended for a period of 3 month(s) from March 15, 2002, to and including June 15, 2002. June 15, 2002 is a Saturday, and the accompanying Amendment is being filed on the following Monday, June 17, 2002; therefore, Applicants maintain that the Amendment is timely filed.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$ 460.00. Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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